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The World is what we make it.

I've seen some people in this life
Who always are replying,
Who never, never yet made me see
The world as it is, the world as it is,
There's always something to make
From time to time; it's nothing;
That that's made their map of life,
They seem the while forgetting.
And here comes a blessed sight
To the tortured ones,
Some people who, whether they be,
Make south seem like Abyssinian.
They always see the bright side—
The shadow shadows never—
And keep the cover of hope in bloom
Within their hearts forever.

The one can make the easiest day
Seem wretched and deserty;
The other makes the clouds away,
And makes a dark day shiny.
This life is over in after all,
Almost as we should like it;
We can easily find and care,
Let's have time to undertake it.

VARIETY.

"The line must be drawn somewhere," explained a Sunday-woman, the other night, when her husband had got saved across the neck with the clothes-line. "Don't bother your head about people who are going about trying to take away your character. Very likely will you do good. Men are very often like a pair of boots. The more they are blackened the more they shine."

"Well, soldier," said the Irish barrister O'Connell to an officer who was being cross-examined. "You are a soldier? I am an officer," was the rejoinder in defense of the late Heron. "Well," said O'Connell, "well, officer you are no soldier!"

"You have a considerable trading population in this village, haven't you?" asked a stranger of one of the citizens of a village on the Mississippi. "Why, yes, rather," was the reply. "About half the year the water is up in the second-story windows."

"See here, Doctor," said a patient, "isn't it time your physician comes down a little in your price? It makes a good deal of difference, you know, when a fellow has been sick, how much he has to pay when he gets well." "I'll see that it makes no difference to you," grimly responded the doctor.

From the following paragraph one would think there is an intention to raise salt students out in Wisconsin. An exchange paper says, "It's Board of Education has resolved to erect a building large enough to accommodate five hundred students three stories high."

An Expert Drummer.—A paper of Bangor, Me., gives the following specimen of Yankee grandiloquence: "Tell about drums—now I've ever hear Ben Bigelow's drum? He was a cooler. I tell ye, for real sentimental stuff, drummer round a corner, and like'd d'm drum the coat-skirts of anything ever I heard."

An attorney in Dean Swift's company took great liberties in conversation with him. At length this impudent limb of the law asked the lawyer, "Sapping, doctor, that the parsons and the devil should litigate a cause, which party do you think would gain it?" "The devil, no doubt," replied the dean, "as he would have all the lawyers on his side."

"I say Jim," inquired a young person of his companion, who was but a few years older than himself, "What does 'p.m.' mean after these figures on that railway bill?" Jim responded, connoisseur of his own wisdom, "Penny a mile to be sure." "Well, and a.m.?" "Oh, that means that," said Jim, hesitating, "that means you 'en'y a mile."

Trials Never Come Single.—It was only last week that we learn that the mail supply would be exhausted in a State over nine million years, and now news comes that the planet Vulcan is lost. We can hardly think anyone would be enough to steal Vulcan, but the nights have been dark lately, and there are a good many traps about.

We commend the following opinion, expressed by a Protestant missionary of thirty years' standing in Turkey, Rev. Henry J. Van Lennep, D.D., to the notion of the fanatical foes of Islam:—"There is not nominally more intolerance in Asiatic Turkey than there is in England or France; much less certainly than there is in Ireland or Spain, perhaps even in France."

We have just been informed that at the last party sessions bodies had not one hundred miles from Holland House, a factious Bantam presented a petition for leave to alter the sign of his ale-house. "And what is the sign?" inquired the chairman. "Please your worship, it is 'The Gladstone'; but my customers with me call it by its old name." "And what was that?" rejoined the chairman. "Please, your worship, 'The Magpie and Stamp,'" leave granted.

The Empire quote from the Chinese manual "Instructions to Confucius" the following valuable advice:—"In case of any misfortune, do not sit at once being a light, or going near, call out loudly to the sleeper; but hit his head or his big toe, and gently stir his name. Also smash his face, and give him some ginger tea to drink. He will then come round. Or blow into the patient's ears through small tubes, pull out four hairs from his head, make them into a twist, and thrust them into his nose."

The other day a man took home a book containing several anecdotes showing the power of imagination, and after reading them to his wife he suddenly said, "Now, Angels, you may sometimes imagine that you hear me kissing the sweet girl in the other room, and you see how a thing it would be to see me of such a thing." "If ever I imagine such a thing you'll need a doctor within fifteen minutes, no matter what that book says."

A gentleman recently called at a stationer's establishment to order some blue-paper with a heading. He was shown numerous designs, monograms, etc. Finding nothing suitable to his taste, he said: "I want something simpler—just a flower, such as a forget-me-not." "But, sir," said the stationer, "that would sure be more suitable for a young lady." "I know what I want," was the prompt reply. "I'm a tailor, and the paper is for my customers."

A revenue collector recently received intimation that a person "kept a trap without paying duty." The collector called, and began: "You keep a trap I understand." "Yes." "Have you a license for that trap?" "No." "Dowm goes an entry of this candid admission in the note-book. "Did you have a license last year?" "No." Another entry to the book: "Why did you not take out a license?" "I did not think it was necessary." "How many wheels has it?" "None." "Why, what sort of a trap is it?" "A mouse-trap."

The following dialogue, which may be of interest to our Volunteer riflemen, is reported to have taken place between a Virginian and a Yankee picket during the late civil war:—"I say, can you follow about?" "We reckon we can come. Down in Mississippi we can knock a hole bee off a shield top at three hundred yards." "Oh, that ain't nothing to the way we shoot up Varnousit. I belonged to a military company there with a hundred men in the company, and we went out for practice every week. The capts' draws us up in single file, and sets a cedar-barrel rolling down the hill, and each man takes his shot at the hung-hole as it turns up. It is afterwards examined, and there's a shot that did not go in at the hung-hole, the number who missed it is exploded. I belonged to the company ten years, and there ain't been nobody exploded yet."

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